

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the histories of Show-Me State institutions that admirably deepen and broaden the quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Carondelet Library opened on June 9, 1908, after more than two and one-half years of work by area residents and a large grant by Andrew Carnegie, who used his fortune derived from steel to establish more than 2,500 libraries in the late 19th and early 20th centuries; and

Whereas, the staff and members of Carondelet Library celebrated the Centennial Anniversary of the institution during 2008; and

Whereas, a branch of the Saint Louis Public Library, Carondelet Library resides in a brick-and-stone structure designed by Ernst Preisler in the classic Greek Ionic style popular with public buildings; and

Whereas, the creation of Carondelet Library truly was a community effort with financial contributions and support from the Carondelet Women's Club, fraternal societies, and well-attended public fund-raising events; and

Whereas, today's Carondelet Library houses 41,000 items for circulation and is planning a major renovation project; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse daily activities in order to recognize such outstanding Missouri resources as the Carondelet Library at momentous times in their histories:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments associated with the Carondelet Library and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations as they celebrate the One Hundredth Anniversary of the founding of their institution; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the Carondelet Library.

Offered by _____
Representative Thomas A. Villa
District No. 108

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker